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- KIM DAE JUNG IN ANNOUNCING COURT MARTIAL
- FOR KIM AND 36 FOLLOWERS
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1. (C) SUMMARY: THE MARTIAL LAW COMMAND ISSUED A REPORT
ON KIM DAE JUNG AND 36 OF HIS FOLLOWERS, CHARGING KIM WITH
VIOLATING GENERAL LAWS AND MARTIAL LAW DECREES. THE
REPORT SAYS KIM IS A CONFIRMED COMMUNIST, WAS DIRECTLY
RESPONSIBLE FOR THE KWANGJU DISTURBANCES, AND OUTLINES
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HIS ALLEGED COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES SINCE 1945. A NUMBER OF
PEOPLE (INCLUDING A JAPANESE DIETMAN) ARE ALLEGED TO HAVE
AIDED KIM IN HIS QUEST TO OVERTHROW THE PRESENT GOVERNMENT
AND ESTABLISH AN INTERIM GOVERNMENT WITH KIM HIMSELF AS
THE NATION'S LEADER. THE LENGTHY REPORT APPEARS TO OFFER
NO CHANCE THAT KIM CAN ESCAPE CONVICTION BY A COURT
MARTIAL, WHICH IS TO CONVENE SHORTLY. END SUMMARY.
2. (U) THE MARTIAL LAW COMMAND (MLC) ENDED ITS INVESTIGA-
TION OF KIM DAE JUNG (ROK: KIM DAE-CHUNG) BY ANNOUNCING
JULY 4 THAT KIM AND 36 ALLEGED FOLLOWERS WOULD SHORTLY BE
TRIED BY GENERAL COURT MARTIAL ON CHARGES OF "INCITING
REBELLION," AND VIOLATING THE NATIONAL SECURITY LAW, THE
ANTI-COMMUNIST LAW, THE FOREIGN CURRENCY CONTROL LAW, AND
VARIOUS MARTIAL LAW DECREES. THE ANNOUNCEMENT FOLLOWED
THE MAY 22 INTERIM REPORTS (REF A), IN WHICH KIM WAS
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ACCUSED BY THE MLC OF SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME THINGS. ACCORDING TO THE JULY 4 MLC REPORT, SEVERAL PEOPLE HAD VOLUNTARILY SURRENDERED, COOPERATED WITH THE AUTHORITIES, REPENTED OF THEIR WRONGDOINGS AND WERE RELEASED WITH "ADMONITIONS." THESE PEOPLE INCLUDE KIM TONG-GIL (M-R: KIM TONG-HIL), THE BROTHER OF THE EX-MINISTER OF EDUCATION; FORMER NDP ASSEMBLYMAN YI YONG-HUI (M-P); AND HAM SAE-UNG (M-R) AND KIM SUNG-HUN (M-R: KIM SUNG-HON), BOTH CATHOLIC PRIESTS.

3. (U) ACCORDING TO THE REPORTS, KIM DAE JUNG AND HIS FOLLOWERS HAD FORMED THE "NATIONAL PEOPLES' LEAGUE (KUK'MYONGAPHOE) AS A POWER BASE AND HAD USED THIS ORGANIZATION TO RECRUIT REINSTATED STUDENTS. KIM ALLEGEDLY PLOTTED TO USE THESE STUDENTS TO CAUSE DISTURBANCES AND VIOLENCE TO "PROVOKE A BLOODY MASS REVOLUTION," OVERTHROW THE GOVERNMENT, AND INSTALL HIMSELF AS

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HEAD OF AN INTERIM GOVERNMENT. THE REPORT CONTINUES THAT KIM ALSO SPONSORED THE "NATIONAL CONGRESS FOR RESTORATION OF DEMOCRACY AND PROMOTION OF UNIFICATION" (HANMINTONG) IN JAPAN. AS CHAIRMAN OF THIS ORGANIZATION, KIM "ENGAGED IN ACTIVITIES SUPPORTING OR SYMPATHETIC TO NORTH KOREAN COMMUNIST OBJECTIVES."

4. (U) ACCORDING TO THE 47-PAGE REPORT, KIM SAW THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT PARK AS A CHANCE TO COME TO POWER AND PLANNED TO REJOIN THE NDP AND USE HIS PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS TOWARD THAT END. AFTER FAILING TO TAKE OVER THE NDP, HE CONCENTRATED ON HIS OWN ORGANIZATIONS IN HIS QUEST FOR POWER. TO INSTIGATE AN UPRISING, KIM, OVER THE PROTESTS OF YUN PO SUN (M-R: YUN P'O-SON) AND HAM SUK-HON (M-R), USED HIS "PEOPLE'S LEAGUE" AS THE CENTERPIECE OF A NETWORK OF ORGANIZATIONS AIMED PRIMARILY AT AGITATING STUDENTS.

5. (U) KIM AND HIS STAFF ALLEGEDLY HELD A SERIES OF MEETINGS WITH STUDENTS, MOST OF WHOM HAD RETURNED TO SCHOOL THIS SEMESTER AFTER EXPULSION OR IMPRISONMENT FOR POLITICAL ACTIVITY DURING THE PAST YEARS. AT THESE MEETINGS, STUDENT COORDINATING GROUPS WERE SET UP, AND ENCOURAGEMENT AND ADVICE, SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS, MONEY, AND PROPAGANDA MATERIALS WERE GIVEN OUT. A "NETWORK OF THE NATION'S STUDENT COUNCILS" WAS FORMED TO MASTERMIND CIVIL DISTURBANCES. KIM REPORTEDLY ISSUED A SERIES OF ORDERS TO HIS FOLLOWERS TO HAVE STUDENT VIOLENCE ESCALATED, THE LATEST ORDER COMING ON MAY 16.

6. (C) HIS ACTIVITIES DID NOT CEASE WITH THE MARTIAL LAW DECLARATION ON MAY 17, HOWEVER, AND THE KWANGJU INCIDENT, IN WHICH HE WAS THE "STRING-PULLER," IS SAID TO HAVE BEEN

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THE RESULT OF HIS CONTINUING INSTIGATIONS.
7. (U) WHITE STUDENTS WERE HIS SPECIAL TROOPS, KIM ALSO SUPPOSEDLY SET UP LOCAL SOPHISTICATED ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING A COMPLETE STATE GOVERNMENT TO ACCOMPANY HIM INTO POWER (USING PROMISES OF OFFICIAL POSITIONS TO CONCEAL ILLEGAL CONTRIBUTIONS). HE ALSO IS ACCUSED OF EXTENSIVE ORGANIZING WITHIN EXISTING INSTITUTIONS, PRINCIPALLY THE PRESS. HE IS SAID TO HAVE RECRUITED EDITORS AND REPORTERS TO SPREAD "MALICIOUS LIES," THOUGH THE REPORT SAYS HE FAILED IN A MORE GRANDIOSE ATTEMPT TO SCOOP THE ENTIRE NATIONAL PRESS ASSOCIATION AND CAUSE A MASS SHUTDOWN OF THE COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA.
8. (U) A FINAL MAJOR SECTION OF THE REPORT IS DEVOTED TO KIM'S "POLITICO-IDEOLOGICAL BACKGROUND." OLD ACCUSATIONS

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OF COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES IN THE 1940'S ARE REPEATED IN DETAIL. HE IS ACCUSED OF "CONTACT WITH" A LATER-EXECUTED SOUTH KOREAN AGENT DURING HIS 1967 NATIONAL ASSEMBLY CAMPAIGN, AND OF SETTING UP PRO-COMMUNIST EXPATRIATE ORGANIZATIONS IN JAPAN AND THE U.S. IN THE EARLY 1970'S. KIM IS ACCUSED OF RECEIVING RED-TAINTED FUNDS, INCLUDING $2,000 YEN FROM JAPANESE DIETMAN AND SUPPOSED NORTH KOREAN SPY KOSAKU MITSUNOMIYA TOKUMA. THE YEN PURPORTEDLY CAME THROUGH PRESENTLY-RESIGNED ROK REP. KIM YONG-IKUNG (N-R: KIM NOO-YOUNG). POSSESSION OF THESE FUNDS WAS TO DO WITH CURRENCY-CONTROL VIOLATION CHARGES AGAINST KIM. KIM'S OVERSEAS SPEECHES ARE ALSO CITED, MOSTLY PASSAGES WHICH DICTATE CRITICIZED THE PARK REGIME BY COMPARING IT UNFAVORABLY WITH THAT OF KIM IL-SUNG (N-R: KIM IL-SONG,

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CH, WHICH OFFERED PERSONAL VIEWS ON REUNIFICATION WHICH APPEAR TO INCORPORATE ELEMENTS OF KIM IL-SUNG'S "KORYO CONFEDERATION" PLAN.

3. (C) THE CLOSING RECOMMENDATION IS ONE TO THE KOREAN PEOPLE, TO REMEMBER THE HORRORS OF THE KOREAN WAR AND TO REFLECT ON THE "RECKLESS ATTEMPTS STAGED BY KIM IAE-JUNG AND HIS FOLLOWERS."

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